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From: Hamilton, John (IHS/PHX) [John.Hamilton@ihs.gov]
Sent: 7/18/2013 3:43:00 PM
To: Lee, Bessie [Lee.Bessie@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: Request for village water system data in support of HAMP planning effort

Hi Bessie,

We met with Ivan and a FMCV Kikmongwi spokesman, Dixon Silas, on Tuesday and this seems to be the outcome (see below). Our objective was to update Ivan on the HAMP, with emphasis on issues related to the potential BIA connection to FMCV. While Ivan remains a strong supporter of the HAMP, he wanted to "vent" and FMCV has some grievances with the Hopi Tribe and they want a meeting of traditional leaders with the Chairman, Vice Chair, BIA, tribal attorneys, WRP, and IHS. Bernie, the previous CSA had verbally approved the well locations, but Ivan said the two HAMP wells are located on FMCV "ancestral land" and the Tribe should have sought FMCV traditional leadership approval before drilling. We believe one or two other villages also claim this land, although the land is not formally subdivided, and is not allotted or assigned. The Hopi Tribe doesn't think FMCV has a formal claim on the land, but this highlights the potential for problems with villages and their conflicting claims for land.

FMCV may want to sell water to BIA/BIE, as they recognize the business opportunity. This may be the basis for Ivan's comment regarding "opposing the waterline to Keams Canyon" Is this a surprise to anyone?

The HAMP drilling seems to be going well, as Yellow Jacket was at about 2300 feet bgs yesterday. The current drilling rate is about 100 feet/day. They had passed through some good sandstone around 1700-1900 bgs and are now apparently in the N aquifer. The consulting hydrogeologist, Sherry Fritz of Shomaker and Assoc. is onsite and seems to be very knowledgeable. Glad she's there.

I will talk to you and send a summary of our discussions with FMCV, Jr/Sr High (Garlyn) and Wendell. We weren't able to get together with SMDS.

John

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From: Lorenz, Robert (IHS/PHX)
Sent: Thursday, July 18, 2013 7:23 AM
To: Hamilton, John (IHS/PHX); Bill Bettenberg (BBettenberg@homerlaw.com)
Cc: Heintzman, Tom (IHS/PHX)
Subject: FW: Request for village water system data in support of HAMP planning effort

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From: Rea, Brad (IHS/PHX)
Sent: Wednesday, July 17, 2013 9:59 PM
To: Lorenz, Robert (IHS/PHX)
Cc: Hughes, Adam (IHS/PHX); Pete.Mitchell@ihs.gov; Felter.Marcus@ihs.gov
Subject: RE: Request for village water system data in support of HAMP planning effort

Robert,

Per the message below, it appears that I may not be meeting with Ivan Sidney on Thursday at 11:00 A.M. as was previously scheduled, although I will phone him in the morning just to verify his position on such a meeting. This situation will likely make it difficult to obtain the water system O&M data (in a timely manner) that I had requested from the FMCV as a consequence of last Wednesday's USDA-RD / GHD /IHS meeting.

I will still be meeting with Sipaulovi (King Honanie) and Shungopavi (Micah Lomaomvaya) on Thursday and then with the BIA/Keams Canyon (Wendell Honanie) on Friday morning at 10:00 and will return to EADO afterwards on that day.

Brad

From: FIRST MESA CONSOLIDATED VLGS [isfmcv@hopitelecom.net]
Sent: Wednesday, July 17, 2013 12:28 PM
To: Rea, Brad (IHS/PHX)
Subject: Re: Request for village water system data in support of HAMP planning effort

Good Afternoon:

I was instructed by our Village Chief (Kikmongwi) to not be involved with the HAMP Project until the Hopi Chairman meets with our traditional leaders. You can report this to your office persons involved in our meeting out here yesterday. They oppose the water line to Keams Canyon. The rights of way along the ADOT rights-of-way were without our village leaders approval.

Ivan

> Hello Ivan,
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> As the manager of a village utility which is slated to be a partner in
> the Hopi Arsenic Mitigation Project (HAMP), your assistance is requested.
> In order to complete all of the HAMP grant application documentation
> which is required by the US Department of Agriculture-Rural
> Development Program, a significant amount of water system operational
> cost information must be compiled about each of the village water
> systems which will be served by the HAMP. Ultimately, the purpose of
> that information is to determine what the cost-share of HAMP water
> will be to each utility relative to current utility costs. As you
> know, under the HAMP scenario, some of your current utility costs,
> such as electrical power bills and sampling fees for existing wells,
> will be reduced or eliminated. At the same time, additional costs
> will need to be considered including the monthly cost of the HAMP to
> deliver arsenic MCL compliant water to your utility's distribution
> system through a master meter.
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> I have attached a file which requests various items of information
> concerning water system operating costs, etc. It is possible that
> some of the information which I am requesting on that list may not
> pertain to your system., but please take a look at that list as soon
> as possible so that you are aware of what I am requesting and how much
> time and effort may be required to compile the data which is needed.
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> I plan to be in 1st. Mesa on 18 July (next week). I will phone you on
> Monday 15 July with the hope of setting a time when we can meet next
> Thursday to discuss the list of requested information which I have
> attached. In the meantime, I urge you and your staff to begin filling
> in as much of the requested data as you may be able to provide.
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> I am thanking you in advance for your assistance and cooperation on
> this issue, and I look forward to seeing you next week, preceded by a
> phone call on Monday. If you have any questions regarding this
> request, please feel free to phone me at your soonest convenience.
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> Best regards,
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> Brad
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